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## Fiscal Year 2001 DOD Appropriations Conference Report Analysis & Review

**By the Numbers:** (*In thousands of Dollars*)

Fiscal Year 2000: \$265,899,000 (excludes FY 2000 supplemental)

Request: \$284,305,000 **House Bill:** \$288,297,000

Senate Bill: \$287,415,000 **Conference Report:** \$287,590,000

FY 2000 Emergency: \$ 1,779,000 (In Conference Report)

Grand Bill Total: \$289,369,000 (Total Provided in Conference Report)

The Conference Report provides \$1.072 billion more in resources (FY 2001 regular appropriations and FY 2000 emergency) than the House passed bill. The Conference Report provides \$1.954 billion more than the Senate bill, \$5.064 billion more than the request, and \$23.47 billion more than last year.

The bill provides \$1.779 billion in FY 2000 emergency funding -- \$1.1 billion to continue funding operations in the Balkan and Iraqi theaters of operations and \$679 million for various underfunded readiness accounts.

## **LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS OF NOTE:**

Title I personnel funds may be used to provide a special subsistence allowance for members eligible to receive food stamp assistance.

The bill permits the Secretary of Defense to declare individuals who served in the Alaska Territorial Guard during World War II as having been active duty personnel. The provision prohibits the award of retroactive benefits, but might entitle certain individuals to certain new benefits.

The bill allows the Senate to exceed the discretionary spending caps and appropriate up to the Budget Resolution without the 60 votes necessary to waive the caps.

The bill amends the FY 2000 Commerce/Justice/State Appropriations bill to designate \$6 million in already appropriated funds for the New Markets Venture Capital program.

## **EARMARKS OF NOTE:**

\$10 million for HIV prevention educational activities undertaken in connection with U.S. military training, exercises, and humanitarian assistance activities conducted in African nations.

\$7.5 million for the USO

\$5 million for the High Desert Partnership in Academic Excellence Foundation, Inc.

Transfer of excess military housing to Indian Tribes in the States of North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, and Minnesota

\$51 million to adjust the cost share under an agreement between DOD and the Ministry of Defense of Israel for the Arrow Deployability Program

\$20 million for the National Center for the Preservation of Democracy for the renovation of a building

\$2.1 million for the National D-Day Museum

\$5 million for the Chicago Public Schools for the conversion of a former Armory

\$5 million for the American Red Cross for Armed Forces Emergency Fund

\$2 million, subject to authorization, for the Bosque Redondo Memorial

\$2 million for the Oakland Military Institute

\$2 million for the Fisher House Foundation, Inc, for construction

\$2 million to be transferred to the Department of Energy Fossil Research for a specific stem injection research project

\$300,000 for the Circum-Pacific Council for the Crowding Rim Summit Initiative

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